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Dear Sir:

- 1) This is **NOT** a Response to the Office Action of June 19, 2002. A Response is being filed separately today.
- 2) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98 applicants enclose a Second Form PTO-1449, a copy of the references cited thereon, and a copy of a European Search Report issued on December 4, 2002 in a counterpart European Application.
- 3) In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), this Statement is being filed before the issuance of a Final Office Action or a Notice of Allowance, and includes the statement specified in 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1). Thus, a fee is not due for the submission of the present Information Disclosure Statement.
- 4) The undersigned attorney hereby certifies that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement

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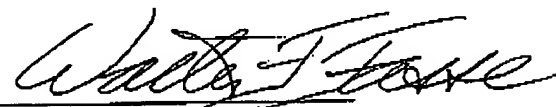
was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement, as seen from the European Search Report date of December 4, 2002.

- 5) The present references AK, AL and AM are in English and therefore do not require any particular discussion. Moreover, the enclosed Search Report indicates the degree of relevance of each of the references by category (A = technological background; and Y = of particular significance in connection with another publication of the same category). The additional references listed in the European Search Report were already cited in applicants' first IDS of August 7, 2000.
- 6) Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider all references of record, return an initialled copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 to the applicants and ensure that all references of record are printed on any patent issuing from this application.

Respectfully submitted,

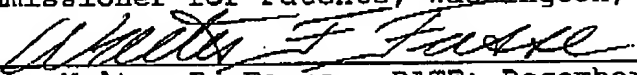
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